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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS .

This is a SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE subsequent to the Advisory Action mailed April 28, 2006 and to the final Office Action dated February 7, 2006. The Advisory Action is responsive to the Amendment After Final Office Action, filed April 6, 2006. The deadline for responding to the final Office Action without an extension of time is May 7, 2006. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three (3) months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to August 7, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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